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Trolley good show by supermarket Santas

Natasha Newman, Lucy Rutherford, Matthew Bright and Nigel Smith from Waitrose preparing for the Santa jog

MORE THAN 400 people have signed up for the annual Santa Jog in Stourbridge. Around 700 places are up for grabs in event, organised in aid of Mary Stevens Hospice.

Among those heading to Mary Stevens Park for the 5k route on December 11 at 10.30am will be 21 members of staff from Waitrose. Led by acting branch manager David Harcourt, the team has been in training for weeks.

More than 540 people entered the event in 2010, despite snow, and the hospice fundraising team is delighted with the response so far. Janet Jones, head of fundraising, said: "It is really exciting to see so many registrations coming in. It is such a surreal sight to see so many people dressed in their Santa suits."

Entry fee is £12 for adults and £5 for children under 12. Those who take part get a free Santa suit – register online at www.marystevenshospice.co.uk or call the fundraising office on 01384 377778.

Spring opening at £7m bus station

THE NEW £7million bus station in Stourbridge is likely to open next spring with work on the building progressing quickly, officials say.

Work to create the new interchange in Stourbridge has been taking place since the old outdated station was closed in October 2010.

And bosses from transport authority Centro said the scheme for the newlook station in Foster Street East remained on target for completion in early 2012.

Steelwork at the main building has now been finished with glazing and the station's new roof also nearing completion.

Inside the main building work is taking place to fit out a new retail area along with public toilets and the manager's office.

The frame for an adjacent building has also been completed and works on the roof and cladding is nearly finished, bosses say.

Between this building and the neighbouring railway station new canopies have been installed.

Steelwork and glazing is complete on the exterior of the new bus station

Festival at risk after theft of gear

A COMMUNITY event in Wordsley is at risk after thousands of pounds worth of equipment was stolen from store rooms.

Wordsley Festival Group has been left "devastated" after thieves took four generators plus speakers, amplifiers and microphones from the dressing room complex at King George V Park, off Bells Lane, Wordsley, on Monday.

Chairman Mick Davies said the theft had put next year's event at risk. "We only hope the equipment is returned to us or if someone can provide us with replacements," he said.

BIG CROWD TO PACK GROUND

By Tim Spiers

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ANOTHER huge crowd is expected to pack the War Memorial Ground this weekend when Stourbridge continue their FA Cup fairytale.

The Glassboys are in round two of the most prestigious club cup competition in the world having beaten Plymouth Argyle in a memorable televised replay last week.

League One side Stevenage now stand between Stourbridge and a place in round three, when the big boys of Manchester United, Liverpool and Arsenal enter the draw along with every Premier League and Championship team.

To meet the interest from supporters an extra stand is to be put up especially for the game, increasing the capacity to 3,300. That is 3,000 more than the usual home gate and the extra revenue, plus television income, prize money and sponsorship, will set the club up financially for years.

Chairman Ian Pilkington said it had been a whirlwind three weeks since the original first round tie at Plymouth, but that everything was coming together in time for the weekend.

"The nearer it gets the excitement starts to build again," he said.

"It's hugely exciting times for the club and the area and it's given everybody a lift. People not associated with the club are talking about Stourbridge in glowing terms and memories have been made which will last forever.

"Hopefully the atmosphere will be as great as it was for Plymouth and they can roar us on to a famous victory."

Supporters can redeem vouchers with the letter R marked on them in order to get a ticket. These need to be exchanged tonight (December 1) from 7-9pm at the Church End turnstiles. Extended highlights of Saturday's game (2pm kick-off) will be on ITV at 10.45pm.

Families backing the team

ANTICIPATION is building as Stourbridge FC prepare for their big match.

But not only are the players and management on an emotional rollercoaster – so are their families.

Team manager Gary Hackett's wife of 16 years Kate, a 41-year-old business development manager, said it had been a "very busy" time. The couple, who first met in the Rose and Crown pub, in Halesowen, in 1995, have two children Ally, 15, and Millie, 13.

Mrs Hackett said: "I have been fighting football for a long time but now think if you can't beat them, join them. I have got more into it. Everyone at the club makes you feel so welcome which I think is one of the reasons for its success."

Ally has attended every game. "It has been great. Stourbridge is a local team and it is brilliant for them to be doing so well," he said.

Up for the Cup – even the manager's dog Poppie wears red and white. Team boss Gary Hackett with wife Kate and children Ally and Millie.

Worker avoids drive ban

A CALL CENTRE worker caught using a mobile phone behind the wheel has convinced a judge not to ban him from driving as he would not be able to get to work on time.

Yasir Ali, aged 22, had previously admitted the offence in Amblecote High Street.

He was warned he would get three penalty points – which would have left him with 12 on his licence and seen him disqualified.

Sentencing was delayed at a hearing at Dudley Magistrates Court, where Ali successfully made a case that the ban would cause him exceptional hardship.

Ali, of Vale Street, Stourbridge, works during the week for Homeserve in Walsall and for HSBC in Birmingham on Saturday and Sunday, he told the court.

Judge Wheeler said: "This is an unusual case as people arguing against driving bans usually drive as part of their job.

"Public transport doesn't realistically allow you to get to work on time so I am going to allow you to keep your licence," he said.

Instead Ali was fined £140, and ordered to pay £60 costs and a £15 victim surcharge.

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Ofsted booster for borough's schools

MORE THAN half the schools in Dudley inspected in the last academic year are providing children with a good or outstanding education, latest Ofsted figures show.

Of the 29 schools inspected, two were rated outstanding and 13 good. Three schools were judged to be inadequate, with 11 seen as satisfactory, the annual report from the education watchdog revealed.

The figures relate to nursery, primary, secondary and special schools, as well as academies.

Commenting on the success of schools in Dudley Miriam Rosen, Her Majesty's Chief Inspector, said: "Everyone who has contributed towards the delivery of the outstanding services across the Black Country deserves our recognition.

"From the visits I make around the country, I know just how much hard work and dedication goes into delivering the best outcomes for children, young people and learners.

"I hope others will be inspired by these successful providers."

Nationally, almost a third of schools were rated not good enough by Ofsted and many are failing to improve.

The report shows that of all schools in England, 30 per cent were rated either as only satisfactory or inadequate.

Delighted

Gill Cartwright, who is headteacher at The Old Park School, Corbyn Road, Dudley, which was rated outstanding, said: "We are delighted to be one of only two schools to be rated outstanding in Dudley.

"It's testament to the hard work of staff," she added.

Elsewhere in the region four schools in Wolverhampton were judged to be inadequate, with 11 satisfactory, 11 good and one outstanding.

In Walsall, only one school was inadequate, 16 were satisfactory, seven good and three outstanding.

In Sandwell, four schools were rated outstanding and 15 good. Two schools were judged to be inadequate, while 14 were satisfactory.

Across Staffordshire, five schools were given the top rating, while 19 were judged as good. Only one school was rated inadequate, while 22 were rated satisfactory.

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Thorns Community College

Jean's got the talent to entertain residents

Care supervisor June Smallwood, Britain's Got Talent star Jean Martyn and care home manager Jane Linford

BRITAIN'S Got Talent finalist Jean Martyn was all smiles as she entertained residents at a Stourbridge care home.

The organist and former music teacher from Brewood was invited to open a four-bedroom extension at Oriel Care Home in Hagley Road.

Jean, aged 60, had the residents tapping their feet as she played for about an hour. Manager Jane Linford said Jean had been an obvious choice for the opening as residents listen to her CDs.

Jean, who played such hits as You're The One That I Want from Grease and Bucks Fizz's Making Your Mind Up on BGT, said: "It was fabulous. The residents really enjoyed themselves. I then went to see the residents who weren't able to get into the main room and I played I Dreamed a Dream for them. I had a lovely time." said Jean.

Care supervisor June Smallwood was presented with a bouquet to mark 25 years of service.

Weighbridge is approved

PLANS to install a weighbridge at a recycling site near Stourbridge have been approved.

It will be built at Midlands Recycling in Rufford Street, Lye, after Dudley Council planners unanimously backed the application at a meeting.

A report said there had been a long planning history for the site dating back to the 1940s.

Clock may be switched to GP surgery

A COMMEMORATIVE clock could be rehoused in a GP surgery which is set to be built on the site of a Stourbridge foundry.

The timepiece faces an uncertain future when it is removed from the Crown Centre next year due to redevelopment work. Dudley Council is now looking for an alternative location in the town for the clock.

No decision has been made, but cabinet member for regeneration Councillor Angus Adams said one idea was to place it at the former Foster and Rastrick Foundry site.

Approval has been granted for the Grade II-listed site, in Lowndes Road, to become a 30,000sq ft medical complex.

Councillor Adams said it would be an appropriate site for the clock, which features a model of the Stourbridge Lion locomotive.

The engine was built at the foundry in 1828 and became the first train to operate in the United States.

Heritage

Councillor Adams said other locations were still being looked at for the clock.

Bosses from Tesco, which is building a new supermarket in the Crown Centre, have agreed to re-site the clock, first installed in the Crown Centre in 2005 to mark glassmaking and manufacturing heritage.

Councillor Adams said: "There has been some interest in re-housing it at the GP surgery.

"This is a very important part of Stourbridge's heritage and we want to ensure the right place is found. Placing it at the foundry site would seem to be appropriate, but we will have to wait and see."

Two on murder charge

TWO MEN have appeared in court charged with the murder of a 24-year-old Dudley man who died on New Year's Day – more than 18 months after being attacked.

Ismaaeel Rehman, who lived in Surrey Road, Woodside, was left with head injuries after being attacked in Telford in 2009.

The former pupil of Holly Hall School was in intensive care for more than six weeks. However, he collapsed and died at a relative's house on January 1 this year. His cause of death was given as a result of post-traumatic epilepsy after suffering a seizure.

Jason Noto, aged 23, of Powis Place, Dawley Bank, Telford and Robert Jones, 23, of Webb Crescent, Dawley, Telford, appeared before Telford magistrates last week charged with murder and were remanded in custody to appear at Shrewsbury Crown Court on December 5.

A third man arrested on suspicion of murder and two women arrested on suspicion of perverting the course of justice are on police bail.

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Boy scarred for life in park dog attack

AN EIGHT-YEAR-OLD boy was left with scars and post-traumatic stress after being chased and bitten by an Alsatian dog on a playing field, a court heard.

Owner Simon Newman said he checked to see if there were children nearby before letting the pet out of his house, Dudley Magistrates Court was told.

But the young victim, who was with another child, was targeted by the seven-year-old animal which caught up with him and bit him, said Mr Mark Cooper, prosecuting. The boy had to have plastic surgery for his wounds.

Mr Cooper said: "The boy was minding his own business when the dog was released onto a playing field and made a beeline for him, biting him and causing him serious injuries.

"These injuries have ongoing effects that will last a lifetime."

Simon Newman

The dog must now be put down after District Judge Michael Wheeler said it was a "threat to the safety of the public and children in particular".

Newman, aged 52, of Queens Street, Kingswinford, made "little attempt" to leave his doorstep and get the dog when he saw it hurting the boy, the court heard.

Mr Chris Stapleton, defending, said Newman was "genuinely saddened" by what happened on April 3.

He said the dog had not bitten anyone before and Newman vowed never to let it off its lead in public again.

Newman pleaded guilty to allowing a dog to be dangerously out of control in a public place and cause injury.

He was given a 12-month community order and must carry out 100 hours of unpaid work. He must also pay £1,000 compensation and £85 costs.

Classmates together again

Clare Myatt, front, and Amanda Jeffries with Class 5L

MORE THAN 30 years after they shared lessons together at a Stourbridge school, a group of former classmates had a trip down memory lane.

The years melted away as 18 pupils from Stourbridge Girls High School's Class 5L from 1973 caught up for lunch. Although a similar reunion was held five years, it was the first time many had seen each other since their school days.

All left the school in 1975 after completing sixth form, one of the final years to do so before the school closed in 1976. They travelled back from as far away as Paris.

Among those at the reunion on November 20, held at the Stourbridge Old Edwardian Club, was recruitment manager Amanda Jeffries, nee Fear, who now lives in Lincolnshire.

"We all have very fond memories of our time together," she said.

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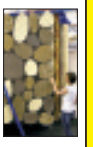

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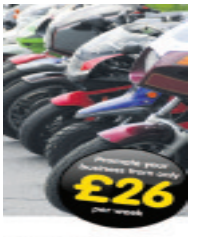

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Car park is set to extend its opening hours

A CAR PARK is to extend its opening hours to provide spaces for night-time visitors when Stourbridge's main multi-storey closes in early January.

Improvements are already being carried out at the Ryemarket car park, with repairs to ramps. Dudley Council, which owns the car park, said talks were being held with owners of the adjoining Ryemarket Shopping Centre.

More cars are expected to use the site when the main Bell Street multi-storey closes next year, part of plans to revamp the adjoining Crown Centre.

The car park is to be demolished and rebuilt as part of the scheme which will see the construction of a Tesco superstore at the site.

The Ryemarket will become the main car park in the town centre but it now closes at 9pm.

Dudley Council's cabinet member for regeneration, councillor Angus Adams, said longer opening hours were being looked at, although times had not been decided.

Entrances

Councillor Adams said entrances to the car park from the Ryemarket Shopping Centre would have to be closed off to prevent people getting in at night, hence talks with centre owners Threadneedle.

He said: "I can confirm a provisional date for the closure of the Bell Street car park has been set for early January.

"The Ryemarket multi-storey is expected to take on many of the vehicles.

"We are looking to extend the opening hours. It is also vital that access points to the shopping centre can be closed off, as we do not want people walking around the site late at night."

Warning to those on curfew

POLICE officers are visiting newly-released prisoners at their homes in Dudley as part of new crackdown on the seasonal rise in crime in the run-up to Christmas.

Uniformed and plain-clothed officers are visiting those suspected of breaching the rules of their prison release curfews.

As part of the blitz, warrants will also be executed for cases where people have failed to appear before the courts when charged, breaching their curfew restrictions or not adhering to the conditions of their licence.

Those found not to be abiding by the rules of their release could find themselves back behind bars.

Pc Jayne Severn, from the Dudley Police offender management team, said: "We will be taking a no-tolerance approach to offenders that do not abide by their curfews or electronic tag conditions. Offenders released from prison on licence can be recalled back to prison if they are not following the strict guidelines."

Good luck, but watch out for the weasels

John Lucock as Badger and Rebecca Clee as Mole get ready for the show

CLASSIC characters Ratty, Mole and the flamboyant Mr Toad will come to life on stage in Dudley later this month.

Dudley Little Theatre will present its own version of Kenneth Grahame's much-loved story The Wind in the Willows. Rehearsals are in full swing for the production, which will run from December 7 to 10 with a matinee performance on December 10 at Netherton Arts Centre.

Performers will bring to a life a summer's day by a riverbank as three friends enjoy a picnic, venture out on to the open road and fight the dastardly Chief Weasel and his followers.

Christine Ridgeway, of Dudley Little Theatre, said: "With its appeal to theatre-goers of all ages, it is the perfect pre-Christmas treat for all the family."

Evening performances start at 7.30pm. The curtain will rise on the Saturday afternoon matinee at 2.30pm. Tickets cost £6 and £5 and are available in advance from Dudley Council Plus in Castle Street, Dudley and Flavell's Butchers in Netherton or from the box on the night.

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Worker thefts costing the council thousands

MORE THAN £45,000 of taxpayers' cash has been stolen from council coffers in Dudley by unscrupulous employees.

Over the past four years, a total of £45,050 has been lost due to the offences.

The money has gone through fraud, theft or corruption by people who are working for, or contracted by, the council.

Honest

A hotline has now been set up for honest employees to shop their corrupt colleagues.

The authority's move comes after the number of such cases doubled between 2007 and last year. Finance chief Councillor David Blood said the hotline would make it easier for residents and council staff to report suspicions.

"Unfortunately, we know that fraud is going on, and we take a very dim view of it," said Mr Blood.

"A full investigation will be launched, and if we find that fraud has been carried out we will prosecute where we think it is necessary," added Mr Blood.

"Dudley Council has a zero tolerance against fraud."

Frauds reported to the council include payments for contracts, supplies or grants.

They can also include the stealing or misusing of council resources, such as stores, equipment, vehicles or buildings which are the property of the authority.

Figures obtained under the Freedom of Information Act reveal that in 2007, 15 cases of fraud, theft or corruption were reported.

They resulted in £7,850 missing from council funds in the form of cash or items stolen.

Increase

In 2010, this had increased to 30 cases, costing the council a sum of £21,000.

This was up from £6,950 taken in 2009 and £5,250 in 2008.

Between January and October this year, some 15 cases were reported at a cost of £3,500.

Paris has a VIP day

Paris Cooper outside Freestyle Salon in Wollaston with owner Kim Varney and Steve Ford of Wishing Well

A TEENAGER enjoyed a moment in the spotlight when she was treated to a makeover and a professional photo shoot in Stourbridge.

Paris Cooper, aged 16 from Lanesfield, Coseley was greeted like a VIP at Wollaston Beauty Clinic before being whisked off to a nearby hair salon.

The pupil at High Arcal School in Sedgley then had a photo shoot at Jane Jordan Photography in Stourbridge. It was organised by the Wishing Well charity from Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital – Paris spent time on the children's ward earlier this year.

Her mother April, of Birmingham New Road, said: "Paris had a really nice time at the beauticians and hair salon. The children's ward was fantastic."

Industrial site bid thrown out

PLANS to bring scores of new jobs to a disused industrial site, which has stood empty since a metal firm went out of business, have been thrown out – because of concerns over two parking spaces.

Council planning chiefs were criticised by the architect behind the proposals for Hayes Lane, Lye, who said the decision sent out "the wrong message". The bid to create 23 new units was turned down by Dudley's development control committee on November 21.

Four new houses would also have been built – but two would have had a parking space each across the road to stop the site entrance becoming clogged.

Planners said the spaces were too far away and residents would be tempted to park outside their homes.

Architect Alun Nicholas said scores of people could be employed at the site, empty since Bretshaw, Eltex & Bakaware went into administration.

Site owner Bob Preece wanted to demolish part of the factory to make way for the redevelopment and attract new businesses.

Speaking after the meeting, Mr Nicholas said it was unlikely another application would now be made.

He said: "This decision broadcasts to the borough what this council's real attitude is to redevelopment and the creation of job opportunities. The houses would have provided income to fund the project."

Planning officers had recommended refusal.

Canal eye view of our glass

WATERWAYS specialist and glass enthusiast Graham Fisher MBE has launched a DVD bringing together his two passions.

Mr Fisher has made The Crystal Mile: Along the Stourbridge Canal.

The 31-minute disk, now on release, examines the Stourbridge glass industry from the perspective of the canal that runs through it.

Mr Fisher, aged 57, said: "A short stroll between the Bonded Warehouse and Red House Glass Cone can reveal much of our fascinating glassmaking history and more.

"But for those not wishing to exert themselves, this DVD offers a chance to see it first-hand from the comfort of an armchair. And Martyn Barnbrook's skilful camerawork makes it feel like you are actually there."

The £7.50 DVD is available from retail outlets. Alternatively, call Mr Fisher on 01384 270020 or 07885 786826, or the Beacon Centre for the Blind at 01902 880111.

Stolen property was found in unit

A MAN riding a stolen motorbike was arrested after turning up to his Stourbridge industrial unit as it was being searched for stolen property, a court heard.

Scott Hill, aged 24, of Watchman Avenue, Brierley Hill, pleaded guilty to three charges of handling stolen property.

He was handed a six-month prison sentence, suspended for two years, and 150 hours' community service at Wolverhampton Crown Court on November 21.

The court heard that Hill had appeared at the unit in Crabbe Street, Lye, as officers carried out a search.

Their efforts resulted in the discovery of parts from a stolen Vauxhall Astra as well as stolen musical instruments.

They also found four doors from a stolen car – and when Hill turned up, they examined the motorbike and found it had false plates and the chassis number off.

Parking bid at hospital

BOSSES at Dudley's Russells Hall Hospital will submit a planning application for up to 50 additional parking spaces for workers at the site in the New Year.

Detailed proposals are being drawn up for the extra spots which will be created on land behind the new £6million staff car park.

Controversial plans to issue permits to hundreds of workers have been put on hold while hospital chiefs test other systems.

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Residents will get their postbox back

THREE HUNDRED residents who joined a campaign to get a postbox reinstated in Amblecote are celebrating after Royal Mail announced a U-turn on the decision.

People claimed the removal of the postbox in Vicarage Road in September made life difficult for pensioners.

But Royal Mail officials made the announcement just as campaigners were about to submit a 300-name petition calling for it to be brought back.

Its removal had left residents, many of them elderly, facing a mile-long walk to the next nearest box.

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Royal Mail bosses said it had been removed when the telegraph pole to which it was attached was replaced. At the time there were no plans to replace it, but now a free-standing box will be installed once a suitable site is found.

Councillor Pat Martin said the decision was "welcome news", adding: "Removal of this box has created a major problem especially for elderly people living in this area.

"I have been told by some people that they have actually had to catch the bus into Stourbridge town centre solely to post their mail.

"The most impact has been on elderly people who depend more upon the traditional style of mail delivery," she said.

Royal Mail spokesman Mike Norman said: "We would like to apologise to customers in the area following the removal of the postbox. It is our intention to replace this box."

Coffee's up at the book store

Celebrating the opening of the coffee shop are relief manager Matt Wall, manager Hilary Bullock and staff member Abi Worsey

A STOURBRIDGE charity's book store offers customers a warm welcome at a new coffee shop. The outlet has been fitted out upstairs at Mary Stevens Hospice's premises in Stourbridge High Street.

The charity took over the premises in 2010 and opened its first phase, a shop selling clothes, bric-a-brac and furniture, on the ground floor in September. Part of the upstairs became the Book Stop which opened in August this year.

Brierley Hill businessman Mike Brown of Dreamland Bedding has donated more than £30,000 towards the cost.

Suspended jail term for cannabis pair

TWO MEN found with up to £7,000 of cannabis in Stourbridge have avoided immediate prison sentences.

Jonathan Wood and Stevie Southall were given suspended sentences after Wolverhampton Crown heard they were only looking after the cannabis.

Plants were discovered by police when a car the defendants were in was stopped in Stourbridge. More were found at the home of a former girlfriend of 23-year-old Wood, of Thornberry Drive, Dudley.

Southall, 23, of Middlepark Road, Dudley, and Wood admitted possession with intent to supply cannabis. Wood was given an 11-month jail term, suspended for 12 months and 200 hours' unpaid work. Southall was handed an eight-month jail sentence, also suspended for a year, and 180 hours' unpaid work.

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1973: Nicola with posters of pop star Donny Osmond

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1973: Santa at Stringers department store

1975: A photograph of a girl called Louise

1973: Peter Olley with his Staffies, Jessie and Eve

Snapshots from seventies Stourbridge

PEERING into the lens, these subjects could never have known that a snapshot from their lives almost 40 years ago would one day be gracing the walls of a top Midland gallery.

But a series of images taken by a former University of Wolverhampton lecturer which captured life in Stourbridge are set to form part of a new exhibition of his work which will be displayed at the Ikon Gallery in Birmingham.

Taken from a decade which has long been consigned to history, these images help bring the 1970s back to life, recalling everything from the fashions of the time to the style of wallpaper on bedroom walls throughout the region.

And they capture some long gone locations in the town which are still familiar to many, including a couple of Santas at the old Tesco and Stringers department store which were both in the town centre at the time.

Other side of the camera – John Myers with motorcycle in 1973 *Picture by Dennis Roberts*

They are just a few of the images included in the Middle England exhibition by John Myers which opened at the gallery yesterday (November 30).

Originally from Bradford, the 66-year-old first moved to Stourbridge when he became a senior lecturer at Stourbridge College in 1969. It was a few short years later when he embarked on his documentary-style photography project capturing families between 1973 and 1975.

He said: "They were all taken more or less around where I lived in Brook Road. In those days, I didn't have a car, so most of my photographs were taken nearby.

"Many of them were of people I knew in those days; some were students and some were people I may have come across."

Although he no longer takes photographs, preferring painting these days, Mr Myers first started taking images in 1972. His work was quickly picked up, with selected images first being published in Camera in 1973.

In the same year, 12 portraits were exhibited in the seminal exhibition Serpentine Photography, Arts Council of Great Britain at the Serpentine Gallery in London. His work was also featured in Creative Camera in 1974, the London Magazine in 1975 and in the same year British Image 1 which showcased along with Mr Myers a new generation of British photographers.

The exhibition at Ikon also includes a number of other stark images including studies of TV sets and landscapes taken around the area.

They include photographs of the dual carriageway at Hagley heading towards the M5 and the lift doors at the Waitrose supermarket in the town. Mr Myers said: "What we have got to remember about photography then and now is that it is obsessed with the notion of what is beautiful, such as sunsets and waterfalls.

Similar

"In Stourbridge you have got to come to terms with things like the ring road, the dual carriageway out at Hagley and housing estates, just like anywhere else in the country.

"Really it stands for similar towns across the country. You photograph the world you live in."

The display came about after bosses at the Ikon Gallery decided to put together an exhibition of work that the gallery had shown in the 1970s. They contacted Mr Myers while – wrongly – under the impression that his photographs had been shown there.

In fact it emerged that a booklet of 24 photographs he had published had found its way into the Ikon library or office during the decade. So bosses at the gallery decided instead to put on a separate exhibition.

He added: "Many of the photographs had never been seen since they were printed in the 1970s and I had forgotten about them.

"I discovered a set of 10 TV photographs, still in their original Ilford box, in the corner of my studio. In addition to these unearthed images, there were also negatives that had never been printed."

Ten portraits from the Middle England series will be displayed on hoardings surrounding the Library of Birmingham outside the Birmingham Rep theatre for the duration of the exhibition.

● Middle England will run until February 5 at the Ikon Gallery in Brindleyplace, Birmingham. Admission is free and it is open Tuesdays to Sundays between 11am and 6pm. For more information log on to www.ikon-gallery.co.uk

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New chair just the business

BUSINESSMEN have helped raise £5,000 to buy a new wheelchair for a Stourbridge teenager who was paralysed in a BMX accident.

Callum Loveridge, aged 17, was injured when he fell while performing a stunt on his BMX bike on a woodland course near Kidderminster.

Members of Stourbridge-based Pedmore Sporting Club heard about the youngster's plight and decided to dig deep to help him out.

The money has been used to purchase the new chair which gives Callum greater mobility.

Club chairman Ron Shuck and past president Percy Price were on hand to present Callum, who lives in Wollaston, with his new lightweight chair.

Mr Shuck said: "When we heard about the tragic circumstances of Callum's accident we thought that the least we could do would be to make a donation to try to help him in some way."

Astonishing

Callum's father Adrian Loveridge added: "It is still astonishing that people are thinking of Callum and willing to help us even now.

"We are so grateful for people's generosity," he added.

Callum has been receiving rehabilitation at Stoke Mandeville Hospital, in Buckinghamshire.

The hospital is renowned for the work of its spinal unit.

Callum Loveridge, aged 17, in his new wheelchair which was presented by Pedmore Sporting Club chairman Ron Shuck and past president Percy Price

Choirboy back to sing tenor at his church

A PRIZE-WINNING former choirboy at a Stourbridge church is returning there to perform in Handel's Messiah.

Nathan Vale, who went on to become a choral scholar at Wells Cathedral, will sing tenor at St Thomas's Church in Market Street, at 7.30pm on Saturday (December 3).

Organisers hope the event will add £3,000 towards the 275-year-old, Grade I-listed church's restoration appeal fund.

Nathan graduated from the Royal College of Music and performs throughout Europe. "I am delighted to be returning to Stourbridge and to support the wonderful work of restoration," he said.

Other soloists taking part in the Messiah, under conductor Keith Horsfall, are soprano Louise Maguire, tenor William Towers and bass Michael Lessiter, all giving their time free.

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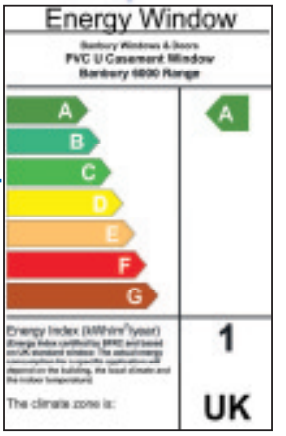

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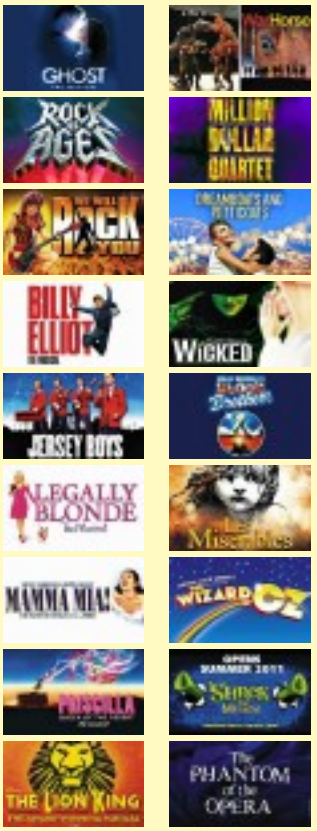

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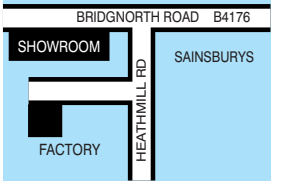

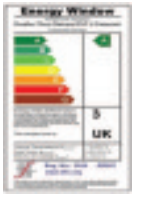

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Traders fear outcome if free parking is scrapped

CONTROVERSIAL plans to abolish free on-street parking and charge for the first time in town centres across Dudley will destroy the borough's fragile economy, traders warned.

Dudley Council has unveiled plans to scrap free parking in town centres including Stourbridge and Dudley under cost-cutting plans, hoping to raise up to £150,000 over the next three years.

But traders fear that the move will drive shoppers away from their premises, forcing firms to close.

Council leaders admitted the scheme is flawed, with a five-year delay before the authority would see a profit.

Alan Caswell, who runs the Arcade Toy Shop in Fountain Arcade, Dudley, said he was "disappointed" by the council's plans.

"This is really not good," he said.

"It has got to impact on the trade – we will see far fewer people coming to shop here if the free parking goes.

"There is no point creating more parking spaces and then do something which drives people away.

"If people can park free somewhere else, they will go somewhere else."

And shopper George Jefferies, aged 39, from Sedgley, said he would not be willing to pay for parking in the town.

Regeneration

"Free short-term parking is far more important to the regeneration of the town," he said.

"Personally, I would either try to get around it by parking in residential areas on the edge of town, or shop outside the borough."

Council transport boss Councillor Patrick Harley said the proposal was one of many in the draft budget, subject to public consultation until mid-December.

"If traders or residents are concerned, I suggest they submit their thoughts as part of that process," he said.

"However, the set-up costs are very high – for example, buying the charging machines and signage.

"You probably wouldn't make your money back for around five years, and in this climate you can't justify that expenditure with no immediate revenue benefit."

Warning on 'water board' callers

EIGHT reports of bogus callers targetting householders have been reported in Dudley over the last couple of months, according to new figures.

Police say six distraction burglaries were reported in the borough during October and another two last month.

There have been claims that some callers said they were from "the water board".

Bosses at South Staffs Water say around half of bogus callers use this claim to gain entry to the houses of elderly or vulnerable people.

But employees of South Staffs Water would never use this phrase and the company is urging residents to be vigilant in checking the identity of callers if they have any doubts.

All South Staffs Water employees and authorised contractors wear a uniform and carry identity cards.

PC Angela Hodgetts, Dudley crime prevention officer said: "Distraction burglary is a devastating offence for the victim. Considering some simple crime prevention methods can prevent distraction burglaries.

"Always put the chain on the door before you open it and check the identification of the caller. If in any doubt, do not let them in and contact your local police station on 0345 113 5000."

Protests on quarry top 5,500

OBJECTIONS to plans for a new quarry in a village on the Staffordshire/Dudley border have now topped 5,500 letters and a 3,000 name petition.

But it is likely to be February before councillors consider the scheme.

The Quarries Fighting Fund campaign group has now submitted two major objection documents to plans by FG Davis to excavate sand and gravel from a 19-acre site off Mile Flat, Wall Heath.

The protesters are also fighting plans by the firm to extend the length of time it can continue working its existing quarry at nearby Enville Road.

Villagers complain of dust and extra traffic and say it will be even worse if more sand and gravel extraction was allowed nearby.

Four of the eight pitches on land rented by Dudley-Kingswinford Rugby Club would disappear if the new quarry was allowed.

Fighting fund leader Dave Tyler said: "We are very pleased with the quality and content of both objection documents."

Staffordshire Councillor Mark Winnington said: "The applicant has requested more time to allow them to respond to objections."

Themed trees at festival

FESTIVE trees of all sizes will be packed into a Kingswinford church at the weekend.

St Mary's will host the Christmas festival, which will also include an array of stalls selling gifts.

The trees will be decorated to reflect different themes and there will also be a memorial tree which will include the names of loved ones.

Money raised at the event on December 3 and 4 will go to the church restoration appeal.

Deputy church warden Margaret Penn said: "Our first tree festival last year was a huge success.

"Hundreds visited and we raised over £800 for the restoration fund. We are trusting that this year's event will be even bigger and better."

The church will be open from 10 am to 4pm on December 3 and from 11.30am to 4pm on December 4.

Flat out at work: David Merrick with wife Cathy and children Charlie and Jack

Pressing need for business back home

A FORMER RAF technician hopes to flatten the competition after launching an ironing business from his Stourbridge home.

David Merrick has set up the firm, called Iron Man, and is now looking to build a steady stream of regular customers.

The 30-year-old decided on the career move after his wife Cathy, 25, fell ill last year and he needed to be at home to look after her and their children Charlie, three, and 18-month-old Jack.

Mr Merrick, of Oldnall Road, said he was now a carer for his wife but needed to find a way of bringing in money to pay the bills while being able to stay around the home.

And it was his military training which provided the answer – a move into the growing home-ironing trade.

Mr Merrick, who served in Basra on a four-month tour of duty, said: "It may sound odd but you are taught how to iron in basic training when you join the military.

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Fishing lake plan nets the go-ahead

A REVIVED bid to install a fishing lake on land in Halesowen has been given the go-ahead despite concerns over wildlife.

Proposals for the development on land currently used for horse grazing in Hagley Road were thrown out by Dudley Council planners last year and dismissed on appeal by the planning inspectorate.

But renewed plans without an amenity building, which was in the original proposal, were approved by the council's development control committee on November 21.

Ward councillor Ken Turner said 25 people had raised concerns and he was "surprised" the plans had been submitted again.

He said important wildlife and archaeology at the site would be lost. Residents were worried about extra traffic and also had concerns about the noise, he said.

But landowner Andy Foxhall said he had worked with the Environment Agency and it had not objected to the proposals.

Teachers strike on academy bid

Teachers on strike at The Kingswinford School picket the gates

MORE THAN 30 teachers picketed the gates of a Black Country school in a strike over it becoming an academy.

The Kingswinford School remained shut as over 40 members of staff went on strike for the second time in a month on November 23.

And children were due to have another day off yesterday through industrial action in a national strike over public sector pensions.

Placards waved at the gates last week read "No academies – defend state education" and "£millions of public money – to whom would a Kingswinford academy be accountable?".

Anne Brimacombe, national executive member of the National Association of School Masters and Union of Women Teachers, claimed the governors had not consulted properly with staff or parents.

"As an academy, the school could be taken over in the future," she said.

Janice Daines, chair of governors at the school, said: " We have consulted at great length with staff, unions and other stakeholders on proposals to become an academy, which will now take place from January 1."

£1m work for six bridges

MORE THAN £1million will be spent on strengthening six bridges in Dudley over the coming year, including one in Wordsley.

Detailed design work and checks will take place so work can begin immediately funding is available.

Wordsley's Glasshouse Bridge is in the programme, along with Brierley Hill's Farmers Bridge, Primrose Bridge and Griffin Bridge; Netherton and Halesowen's Rumbow Bridge and Bower Lane bridge in Quarry Bank.

A report says design work for Farmers Bridge and Primrose Bridge should be completed by the end of the year so they are ready for reconstruction when cash is available.

A bid to secure funding at these sites has been submitted as part of the Local Transport Plan. Design work is also being carried out for the Rumbow Bridge so strengthening work can take place during 2012/13.

A feasibility study will be carried out for re-alignment of the road at Griffin Bridge.

Other parts of the programme include improving parapets at Furnace Hill Bridge, Halesowen, and Hill Street Bridge in Brierley Hill.

Improvements to retaining walls around the borough have also been included in the scheme with designs and work to be carried out as resources allow. This will include a major rebuild of walls in Church Street, Brierley Hill, and Belle Vale, Halesowen.

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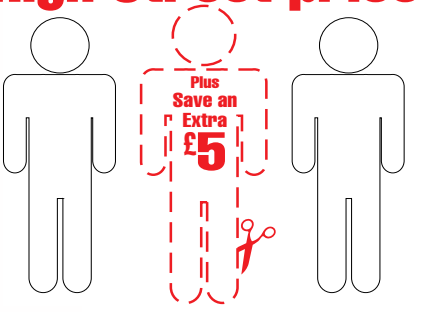

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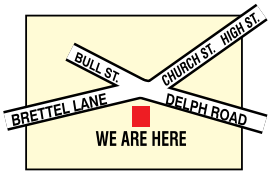

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Costly alteration for car park machines

HUNDREDS of car park pay and display machines across the West Midlands are being upgraded at taxpayers' expense to cope with proposed changes to five-pence and 10-pence coins.

Cash-strapped councils have been forced to find the money to make the alterations to 418 machines.

The Treasury plans to change coin production next year to a cheaper mix of metals to save £176million on minting costs. The new coins will be different in weight and size and so not recognised by many parking machines.

Estimated

It is estimated that the cost to councils across England and Wales will be £5.5m. Dudley council is paying out £17,340 to change 80 machines while its counterpart in Sandwell is laying out £20,736 for its 108 machines.

Wolverhampton has had to find £6,472 for 79 machines and Walsall is paying £5,124 for 58.

Sandwell's cabinet member for neighbourhood services, Councillor Derek Rowley, said: "No doubt this is more money we will have to find while facing cuts."

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Spice of life with balti award

Shehzad Miah, chef Mohammed Monsur Ali, and Saba Chowdhury, from Balti Bazaar, Lye, celebrate success at the Spice Times Restaurant Awards

IT WAS smiles all round for an award-winning restaurant team in Stourbridge after they scooped their latest title at a top London hotel.

The Balti Bazaar restaurant, in Lye, won the West Midlands regional award at the Spice Times Restaurant Awards 2011, held at the London Hilton. Restaurant owner Rais Miah said the award was special as it had been voted for by the public.

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Three young sisters mark Lizzie's 100th

ELIZABETH Fellows has celebrated her 100th birthday – with the help of her three younger sisters.

A special day was held at Wordsley's Hillcroft Nursing Home, where she is known as Lizzie.

Miss Fellows was the eldest of 10 children, born to Jack and Sarah Ann Fellows, of North Oval, Upper Gornal.

Sisters Jean Flavell, aged 77, Eunice Butler, 82, and Florence Cox, 96, joined in the party. Miss Fellows worked for much of her life at the former Revo electrical factory in Dudley and returned to North Oval to nurse her parents.

"She's always been a very loving, placid, caring and unselfish woman," said nephew, Alan Cox, 61, formerly of Upper Gornal but now in Cheshire.

Miss Fellows remained independent until she was 95 but then moved into Hillcroft, in High Street, Wordsley. Staff decorated her room and laid on celebrations on November 22.

Home manager Mrs Bobbie Quarterman said: "Lizzie's a sweet lady with the most beautiful smile."

Elizabeth in her early 20s with her sister Eunice

Elizabeth Fellows, aged 100 with sisters, from left, Florence Cox, 96, Jean Flavell, 77, and Eunice Butler, 82, of Lower Gornal

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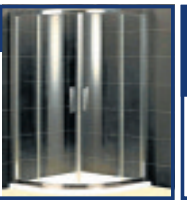

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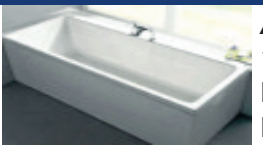

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A DISPERSAL order giving police powers to break up nuisance gangs could be brought in at a trouble-plagued beauty spot in Wordsley.

The order is just one of the options being considered for King George V Park.

Other suggestions include installing floodlights at the children's play area, where youths are known to gather at night. The possible measures to protect the park from booze-fuelled vandal attacks will be discussed at a meeting of residents, councillors and police tomorrow (December 2). It has been organised following a number of problems.

As well as the dispersal order covering Bell Lane, other areas of discussion will include the park's opening times and whether parts of the site should remain open to allow police quicker access should trouble be reported.

The meeting will involve nearby residents, police, councillors and members of Dudley Council's Green Care team which looks after the park.

Floodlighting

Plants have been torn up, litter strewn around the site and items such as fences and benches have been destroyed in previous attacks.

Councillor Geoffrey Southall said residents reported that problems were continuing at night. "This meeting has been organised to try and deal with this problem once and for all," he said.

"We are looking at the possibility of seeking a dispersal order for Bells Lane as one of the measures, and this meeting will allow us to gauge the support for that.

"We also want to get the views on floodlighting the play area as a deterrent. Presently the park is locked at night, although the times this happens seems to vary. This is also something we will be looking at."

Councillor Southall said the meeting was not a public one, but residents had been invited after an approach to councillors at Brierley Hill Area Committee.

Exams delight for dancers

Ballet good show – students celebrate their top marks

TALENTED youngsters at a Brierley Hill dance centre are celebrating record results in ballet and tap exams.

The 24 dancers, aged seven to 12, dazzled examiners in the Central Dancing Association tests with more than half gaining top-mark honours and the rest all highly commended.

Examiner Lizzie Greenaway said: "It was an absolute delight to be entertained by such an able bunch of beautiful ballerinas and talented tappers."

The children from VJ's Dance Centre, which meets every Saturday at the Withymoor Primary School in Gayfield Avenue, are now preparing for their Let's Dance show at Brierley Hill Civic on Sunday, March 18, 2012.

Centre principal Vicky Williams said: "The dance school is primarily about having fun and enjoying learning new skills. I believe we have achieved a remarkably good balance between the demands of exam work and just having a good time."

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FAMILIES are being given the chance to get into the festive spirit at Merry Hill Shopping Centre's Christmas Grotto, which is open to shoppers until Christmas Eve.

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Father Christmas and his reindeer will join the celebrations before accompanying the Mayor of Dudley, Michael Evans, outside the Crown Centre to light up the town at 4pm.

A bumper market, street theatre and live performance from local boy band Eli Prime at 3.30pm will see the High Street closed to traffic throughout the day.

Ryely the Rye Market mouse will meet and greet guests before being joined by Bjorn the interactive polar bear.

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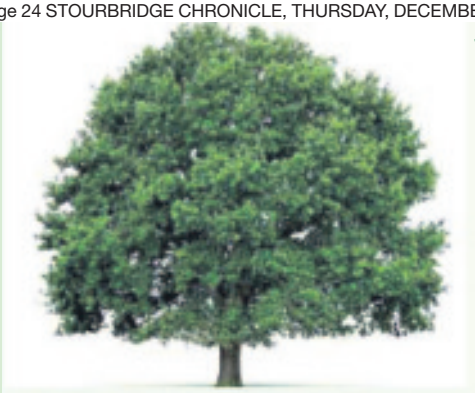

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Saturday TV

BBC1

[illegible] Breakfast. [illegible] Saturday Kitchen Live. [illegible] Home Cooking Made Easy (R) [illegible] BBC News; Regional News; Weather. [illegible] Football Focus. [illegible] Live Snooker: UK Championship. Including John Higgins v Rory McLeod. [illegible] Live International Rugby Union: Wales v Australia (Kick-off 2.30pm). [illegible] Final Score. [illegible] BBC News; Regional News; Weather. [illegible] A Question of Sport (R)

[illegible] **[illegible]** With Colin Montgomerie and Matt Baker. Last in the series.
[illegible] **Strictly Come Dancing.** Bruce Forsyth and Tess Daly host a movie-themed special, in which the six remaining contestants vie for a place in next week's semi-final with dances celebrating the silver screen.
[illegible] **Merlin.** The knights stumble across an eerie shrine deep in the forest.
[illegible] **Casualty.** Part one of two. Ruth's old insecurities resurface.
[illegible] **The National Lottery Saturday Night Draws.** Jenni Falconer announces the all-important numbers.
[illegible] **BBC News; Weather.**
[illegible] **Match of the Day.** Including highlights of Aston Villa v Manchester United; National Lottery Update.
[illegible] **The Football League Show.** Highlights of today's games in the Championship.

[illegible] Film: Mimic. (1997) Horror, starring Mira Sorvino and Jeremy Northam. [illegible] Weatherview. [illegible] BBC News.

BBC2

[illegible] CBeebies. [illegible] CBBC. [illegible] Film: Primrose Path. (1940) Drama, starring Ginger Rogers and Joel McCrea. [illegible] Film: The Master of Ballantrae. (1953) Adventure, starring Errol Flynn. [illegible] Hairy Bikers' Best of British. [illegible] Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. (R) [illegible] Live Snooker: UK Championship. The best-of-11-frames first-round matches. [illegible] Escape to the Country (R)

[illegible] **Flog It!** The team visits the Isle of Wight, where they discover 'small' really is beautiful, and Paul Martin sets sail in a historic, record-breaking yacht.
[illegible] **Dad's Army.** First-ever episode of the classic comedy. (R)
[illegible] **100 Years of the Palladium.** Famous faces reminisce about the theatre. (R)
[illegible] **QI XL.** With Jo Brand, David Mitchell and Phil Jupitus. (R)
[illegible] **Pan Am.** Kate tries to save her relationship with Niko.
[illegible] **Pan Am.** Dean is forced to make an emergency landing in Haiti.
[illegible] **Rev.** The new teacher at the church school turns out to be an atheist. (R)
[illegible] **Snooker: UK Championship.**

[illegible] Snooker: UK Championship Extra. Hazel Irvine presents extended highlights from today's matches. [illegible] Close.

ITV1

[illegible] CITV: Mini CITV. [illegible] CITV. [illegible] Coronation Street. [illegible] This Morning: Saturday. [illegible] ITV News; Weather. [illegible] You've Been Framed! (R) [illegible] Film: Small Soldiers. (1998) Children's adventure, with Kirsten Dunst. [illegible] Film: The Mummy (1999) Action adventure, starring Brendan Fraser. [illegible] Regional Programmes. [illegible] ITV News; Weather.

[illegible] **[illegible]**
[illegible] **You've Been Framed!** Featuring a pole-dancing pensioner.
[illegible] **Harry Hill's TV Burp.** The funniest moments from previous series.
[illegible] **The X Factor.** The four remaining acts perform two songs each as they battle it out for a place in next week's final and the chance to win a recording contract. The results can be seen tomorrow at 8pm.
[illegible] **I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here!** Viewers choose this year's winner. Last in the series.

[illegible] **ITV News; Weather.**
[illegible] **FA Cup Highlights.** Action from today's second-round ties.
[illegible] **The Cube.** A student and a Geordie mother take part. (R)

[illegible] The Zone. ITV News Headlines. [illegible] Kojak. (R) [illegible] ITV Nightscreen. [illegible] ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

[illegible] Sali Mali. (R) [illegible] The Hoobs. (R) [illegible] Extreme Sailing Series. [illegible] Great Ethiopian Run. [illegible] The Morning Line. [illegible] T4: Smallville. (R) [illegible] T4: Made in Chelsea — End of Season Party. [illegible] T4: 4Music Video Honours 2011: Top 20. [illegible] T4: Pixie Lott: The Album Chart Show Special. [illegible] T4: The Big Bang Theory (R) [illegible] T4: The Big Bang Theory (R) [illegible] T4: The Simpsons. (R) [illegible] Channel 4 Racing. [illegible] Come Dine with Me. (R) [illegible] Come Dine with Me. (R) [illegible] Come Dine with Me. (R) [illegible] Come Dine with Me. (R)

[illegible] **Come Dine with Me.** Barry Hill hosts the final dinner party in Doncaster. (R)

[illegible] **Jamie's Great Britain.** Jamie Oliver concludes his culinary tour in the west of Scotland. Last in the series. (R)
[illegible] **Channel 4 News.**
[illegible] **[illegible]**
[illegible] **Tony Robinson's Gods and Monsters.** The presenter turns his attention to evil spirits.
[illegible] **FILM: Taken.** (2008) Thriller, starring Liam Neeson.
[illegible] **8 Out of 10 Cats Uncut.**
[illegible] **[illegible]** (R)

[illegible] Film: Waltz with Bashir. (2008) Premiere. Animated documentary directed by Ari Folman. [illegible] Shameless USA. [illegible] Happy Endings. [illegible] St Elsewhere. (R) [illegible] Countdown.

Channel 5

[illegible] Milkshake! [illegible] The Gadget Show. (R) [illegible] London: The Inside Story. (R) [illegible] Film: The Adventures of Robin Hood. (1938) Swashbuckling adventure, starring Errol Flynn. [illegible] Film: My Spy. (2009) Comedy, starring Colin Hanks and Meg Ryan. [illegible] Film: Sleepless in Seattle. (1993) Romantic comedy, with Tom Hanks and Meg Ryan. [illegible] Film: Ghostbusters II. (1989) comedy sequel, starring Bill Murray.

[illegible] **5 News Weekend.**
[illegible] **NCIS.** The team races to find a sniper who is targeting Marine recruitment officers and picking them off one by one. Crime drama, starring Mark Harmon and Sasha Alexander. (R)
[illegible] **An Audience with Bob Monkhouse.** The comedian entertains a celebrity audience including John Mills, Michaela Strachan, Jeremy Beadle, Linda Robson, Gaby Roslin and Bobby Davro in a show recorded in 1994. (R)
[illegible] **Law & Order: Special Victims Unit.** A detective is suspected of murdering a police officer. Last in the series.
[illegible] **CSI: Crime Scene Investigation.** Two men seemingly come back from the dead. (R)
[illegible] **Inside Hollywood.**

[illegible] SuperCasino. [illegible] Great Artists. (R) [illegible] Divine Designs. (R) [illegible] Rough Guide to Eco Escapes. (R) [illegible] Hana's Helpline. (R) [illegible] The Milkshake! Show. (R) [illegible] Thomas & Friends. (R) [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R)

Digital

ITV2
3.50 All Star Family Fortunes 4.50 The Cube 5.50 Film: Catwoman (2004) Superhero adventure, starring Halle Berry 8.00 Homes from Hell 9.00 [illegible] 9.30 The Xtra Factor 10.30 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here Now! 11.30 Harry Hill's TV Burp

ITV3
6.05 Agatha Christie's Marple 8.00 Doc Martin 9.00 Foyle's War 11.00 Murder in Suburbia

ITV4
1.00 Live Tennis: The AEGON Masters. 5.30 Greatest FA Cup Finals 5.45 Film: The Great Outdoors (1988) Comedy, starring John Candy 7.30 Live Tennis: Tim Henman v Greg Rusedski. 10.30 Film: Lethal Weapon (1987) Action thriller, starring Mel Gibson and Danny Glover.

BBC THREE
7.00 Great Movie Mistakes 8.00 Top Gear 9.00 Russell Howard's Good News Extra 9.45 Film: Meet the Parents (2000) 11.30 Family Guy

BBC FOUR
7.00 Yellowstone 8.00 Art of America 9.00 The Killing II 11.00 The Slap 11.55 Top of the Pops: 1976

E4
3.30 Desperate Scousewives 4.25 Film: Deck the Halls (2006) Christmas comedy, starring Danny DeVito and Matthew Broderick 6.05 The Big Bang Theory 7.00 Happy Endings 8.00 How I Met Your Mother 8.30 The Big Bang Theory 9.00 Rude Tube 10.00 Film: 28 Weeks Later (2007) Horror sequel, starring Robert Carlyle.

FILM4
2.50 Hombre (1967) Western, with Paul Newman, Richard Boone and Diane Cilento. 5.00 Little Manhattan (2005) Romantic drama, starring Josh Hutcherson and Charlie Ray 6.50 Silver Streak (1976) Comedy thriller, with Gene Wilder and Richard Pryor. 9.00 Vanilla Sky (2001) 11.50 The Host (2006)

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Sunday TV

BBC1

[illegible] Breakfast [illegible] Match of the Day (R) [illegible] The Andrew Marr Show. [illegible] Fern Britton Meets Katherine Jenkins. [illegible] Country Tracks; Weather for the Week Ahead. [illegible] The Politics Show [illegible] EastEnders. [illegible] Frozen Planet. (R) [illegible] Frozen Planet. (R) [illegible] Points of View. [illegible] Songs of Praise.

[illegible] **BBC News; Regional News; Weather.**

[illegible] **Countryfile.** How the Vale of Aylesbury has inspired authors.

[illegible] **Strictly Come Dancing.** The quarterfinal result is announced.

[illegible] **Antiques Roadshow.** From Layer Marney Tower, near Colchester in Essex.

[illegible] **Garrow's Law** The barrister defends a man framed for murder by the new police force, but struggles to cope without Lady Sarah, who has abducted her son and disappeared. Last in the series.

[illegible] **BBC News; Regional News; Weather.**

[illegible] **Have I Got a Bit More News for You.** With guest panellists Boris Becker and Marcus Brigstocke. (R)

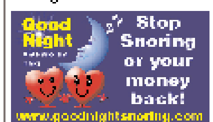
[illegible] **Would I Lie to You?** With Hugh Dennis, Ben Fogle, Kate Silverton and Craig Revel Horwood. (R)

[illegible] **The Sky at Night** The outer limits of the solar system.

[illegible] Film: Amityville III: The Demon (1983) Horror, with Tony Roberts. [illegible] Weatherview. [illegible] Sign Zone: Film 2011 with Claudia Winkleman. (R) [illegible] Holby City. (R) [illegible] A Farmer's Life for Me. (R) [illegible] BBC News.

BBC2

[illegible] CBeebies. [illegible] CBBC. [illegible] Something for the Weekend. [illegible] Hairy Bikers' Best of British. (R) [illegible] Escape to the Country. Properties in Wiltshire. (R) [illegible] Flog It!. With Kate Bateman. (R) [illegible] Live Snooker: UK Championship. Ronnie O'Sullivan v Steve Davis and Ali Carter v Robert Milkins. [illegible] Film: Easy Virtue. (2008) Period comedy, starring Jessica Biel.



[illegible] **The Party's Over: How the West Went Bust.** Part one of two. Robert Peston analyses the West's financial crisis.

[illegible] **How to Build a Jumbo Jet Engine.** The construction of Rolls-Royce's Trent 1000 jet engine. (R)

[illegible] **Mark Zuckerberg: Inside Facebook.** Emily Maitlis interviews the Facebook co-creator.

[illegible] **Match of the Day 2.** Including highlights of Everton v Stoke City.

[illegible] **Fast and Loose.** Featuring Ruth Bratt, Justin Edwards and Pippa Evans. (R)

[illegible] **Never Mind the Buzzcocks.** With Tinie Tempah, Pixie Lott, Example, Chris Ramsey and Joey Page. (R)

[illegible] Snooker: UK Championship. Shaun Murphy v Li Yan and Martin Gould v Peter Lines. [illegible] Snooker: UK Championship Extra. [illegible] News.

ITV1

[illegible] CITV. Mini CITV. [illegible] CITV. [illegible] Monk (R) [illegible] Horrid Henry (R) [illegible] Horrid Henry. [illegible] Finger Tips. [illegible] Tricky TV. [illegible] You've Been Framed! (R) [illegible] ITV News; Weather. [illegible] All Star Family Fortunes. (R) [illegible] Live FA Cup Football. AFC Totton v Bristol Rovers (Kick-off 12.30pm). [illegible] The X Factor. (R) [illegible] Midsomer Murders (R)

[illegible] **Regional Programmes.**

[illegible] **ITV News; Weather.**

[illegible] **The Cube.** A Tottenham woman and a retired man take part, aiming to complete tasks within the confines of the cube to win a jackpot of £250,000.

[illegible] **The X Factor.** Dermot O'Leary announces which three acts are in the final.

[illegible] **A Night with Beyoncé.** Steve Jones presents a one-off special in which the American superstar performs some of her biggest hits as well as tracks from her latest album 4.

[illegible] **ITV News; Weather.**

[illegible] **FA Cup Highlights.** Action from today's second-round ties.

[illegible] **Premiership Rugby Union.** Highlights of the latest top-flight fixtures.

[illegible] The Zone; ITV News Headlines. [illegible] Motorsport UK. [illegible] Kojak. (R) [illegible] ITV Nightscreen. [illegible] ITV Morning News.

Channel 4

[illegible] The Hoobs. (R) [illegible] Channel 4 Presents – Liz Johnson 'Magic Numbers' (R) [illegible] Ironman Wales. (R) [illegible] Triathlon. (R) [illegible] T4: One Tree Hill. (R) [illegible] T4: Battlefront. [illegible] T4: Hollyoaks. [illegible] T4: Olly Murs: The Album Chart Show Special. [illegible] T4: The Simpsons. (R) [illegible] T4: Shipwrecked: The Island. [illegible] T4: The Simpsons. (R) [illegible] Film: Turner & Hooch. (1989) Family canine comedy, starring Tom Hanks. [illegible] Deal or No Deal. Game show, with Noel Edmonds. [illegible] Channel 4 News. [illegible] The Political Slot. [illegible] 4thought.tv. [illegible] Film: The Golden Compass. (2007) Premiere. Fantasy adventure, starring Dakota Blue Richards and Nicole Kidman.

[illegible] **The Secret Millionaire.** Property developer Mike Holland goes undercover in Grimsby. Last in the series.

[illegible] **Black Mirror: The National Anthem.** New series. Horror, written by Charlie Brooker, starring Rory Kinnear.

[illegible] **Alan Carr: Chatty Man.** With Ricky Gervais and Warwick Davis.

[illegible] **FILM: Escape from Alcatraz.** (1979) Fact-based prison drama, starring Clint Eastwood.

[illegible] American Football Live. New Orleans Saints v Detroit Lions (Kick-off 1.20am). [illegible] Post Modern Pastimes. (R) [illegible] Freesports on 4. (R) [illegible] Countdown. (R)

Channel 5

[illegible] Milkshake!: Peppa Pig. [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R) [illegible] Fifi and the Flowertots. (R) [illegible] Fireman Sam. (R) [illegible] Harry and His Bucket Full of Dinosaurs. (R) [illegible] Castle Farm. (R) [illegible] Igam Ogam. (R) [illegible] Rhubarb and Custard Too. (R) [illegible] The Milkshake! Show. [illegible] Make Way for Noddy. (R) [illegible] Bert and Ernie's Great Adventures. (R) [illegible] Little Princess. (R) [illegible] The Adventures of Bottle Top Bill and His Best Friend Corky. (R) [illegible] Angelina Ballerina. [illegible] Milo Mac. (R) [illegible] Rupert Bear. (R) [illegible] Ben and Holly's Little Kingdom. (R) [illegible] The Mr Men Show. (R) [illegible] Funky Valley. (R) [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R) [illegible] Animal Families. (R) [illegible] Inside Hollywood. [illegible] Andre Rieu at the Albert Hall. (R) [illegible] Highland Emergency. (R) [illegible] Ice Road Truckers: Deadliest Roads. (R) [illegible] Film: What About Bob? (1991) Comedy, starring Bill Murray. [illegible] Film: The Fifth Element. (1997) Sci-fi adventure, starring Bruce Willis. [illegible] Film: Click. (2006) Comedy, starring Adam Sandler.

[illegible] **5 News Weekend.**

[illegible] **FILM: XXX2: The Next Level.** (2005) Action sequel, with Ice Cube.

[illegible] **FILM: Pineapple Express.** (2008) Premiere. Action comedy, starring Seth Rogen.

[illegible] **FILM: Harold & Kumar Get the Munchies.** (2004) Comedy adventure, starring John Cho and Kal Penn.

[illegible] SuperCasino [illegible] Animal Rescue Squad. (R) [illegible] Nick's Quest. (R) [illegible] Divine Designs. (R) [illegible] Hana's Helpline. (R) [illegible] The Milkshake! Show. (R) [illegible] Thomas & Friends. (R) [illegible] Roary the Racing Car. (R)

Digital

ITV2
6.15 Holiday Showdown 4.15 The Planet's Funniest Animals 4.35 The Xtra Factor 5.35 Film: Wild Wild West (1999) 7.35 The Planet's Funniest Animals 8.00 Crimefighters 9.00 The Xtra Factor 10.15 Film: Duplicity (2009) Thriller, starring Julia Roberts and Clive Owen.

ITV3
4.00 Film: Arthur (1981) Comedy, starring Dudley Moore, Liza Minnelli and John Gielgud. Including FYI Daily 6.25 Mr Bean 6.55 Agatha Christie's Poirot 9.00 Lewis 11.00 Hornblower

ITV4
3.20 Goodwood Festival of Speed 2011 4.30 Live Tennis. The AEGON Masters ATP Champions Tour final. 8.00 Premiership Rugby Union 9.00 Real Crime with Mark Austin [illegible] 10.00 Film: Enter the Dragon (1973) Martial arts thriller, starring Bruce Lee.

BBC THREE
7.00 Great TV Mistakes 8.00 The World's Strictest Parents 9.00 Gavin & Stacey Christmas Special. The couple make a surprise announcement 10.00 American Dad 10.35 Family Guy 11.00 Him & Her

BBC FOUR
7.00 Hidcote: A Garden for All Seasons 8.00 America on a Plate: The Story of the Diner 9.00 Film: Storyville: The Interrupters – How to Stop a Riot (2011) Premiere. Documentary following volunteers who try to prevent violence. 11.00 Film: Diner (1982)

E4
1.30 Film: Ever After: A Cinderella Story (1998) 4.00 Make It or Break It 5.55 Sorority Girls 6.55 Scrubs 7.55 Film: X-Men: The Last Stand (2006) 10.00 Misfits 11.05 Tool Academy

FILM4
2.45 McLintock! (1963) 5.10 The African Queen (1951) 7.15 Jingle All the Way (1996) 9.00 The Day the Earth Stood Still (2008) Sci-fi remake, starring Keanu Reeves. 11.00 The Page Turner (2006)

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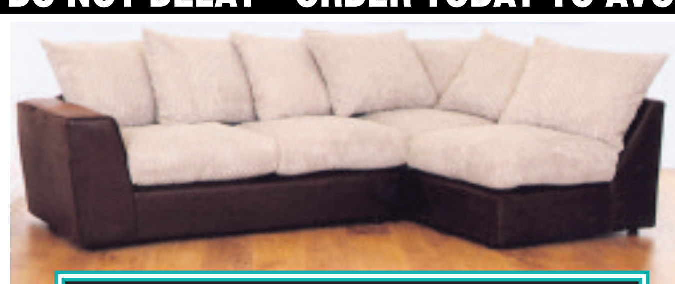

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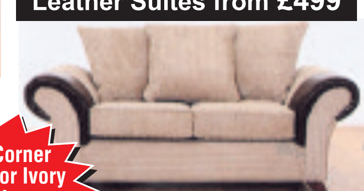

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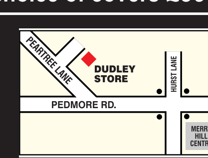

Monday

BBC1 6.00 Breakfast. 8.15 Rip Off Britain. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Noise Squad. 11.45 Cash in the Attic. (R) BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.40 Doctors. 2.10 Only Fools and Horses. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Pointless. (R) 6.00 BBC News; Weather. 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 7.30 Inside Out; BBC News; Regional News. 8.00 EastEnders. 8.30 The Truth About Supermarket Price Wars – Panorama. 9.00 Young Apprentice. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 A Question of Sport. 11.05 John Bishop's Britain. (R) 11.50 The Graham Norton Show. (R) 12.40 Weatherview. 12.45 Sign Zone: Who Do You Think You Are? (R) 1.45 Natural World: Komodo – Secrets of the Dragon. (R) 2.45 Dragons' Den. (R) 3.45 BBC News.

BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.25 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 Live Snooker: UK Championship. Judd Trump v Dominic Dale and Mark Allen v Adrian Gunnell. 3.45 Hairy Bikers' Best of British. 4.30 Flog It! (R) 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing — It Takes Two. 7.00 The Big Bread Experiment. 8.00 University Challenge. 8.30 MasterChef: The Professionals. 9.00 RBS — Inside the Bank That Ran Out of Money. 10.00 Never Mind the Buzzcocks. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Snooker: UK Championship. 12.10 Snooker: UK Championship Extra. 2.10 BBC News. 3.45 Close.

ITV1 6.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 May the Best House Win. 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal. 3.50 Regional Weather. 4.00 Murder, She Wrote. (R) 5.00 Best Dish: The Chefs. 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Coronation Street. 8.00 Little England. 8.30 Coronation Street. 9.00 I'm a Celebrity Get Me Out of Here! Coming Out. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 The Fight of Their Lives. 11.50 David Jason's Greatest Escapes: The Full Story. (R) 12.40 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. 2.45 Champions League Weekly. 3.20 ITV Nightscreen. 4.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 The Hoobs. (R) 7.00 Freshly Squeezed. 7.25 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 7.55 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.25 Frasier. (R) 8.55 The Secret Millionaire. 9.55 Beeny's Restoration Nightmare. (R) 10.55 Sealed Bid. 12.00 Drop Down Menu. 1.20 Film: Seven Days to Noon. (1950) Thriller, starring Barry Jones. 3.10 Countdown. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Come Date with Me. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 Turner Prize 2011. 8.30 Landlords from Hell: Dispatches. 9.00 The Great British Property Scandal. 10.00 The Million Pound Drop Live. 11.30 Random Acts. (R) 11.35 My Transsexual Summer. (R) 12.40 Late Night Poker. 1.35 Confessions of an Undercover Cop. (R) 2.30 Shameless USA. 3.25 Happy Endings. 3.50 Momma's Boy. (R) 4.10 Lucky Escape. (R) 4.15 I Hate That Smile. (R) 4.20 St Elsewhere. (R) 5.10 The Untold Invasion of Britain. (R)

Channel 5 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff. 11.10 LIVE with Gabby. 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.15 Law & Order. (R) 1.15 Home and Away. 1.45 Neighbours. 2.15 CSI: Crime Scene Investigation. (R) 3.15 Film: Jesse Stone: Night Passage. (2006) Detective thriller, starring Tom Selleck. 5.00 5 News at 5. 5.30 Neighbours. (R) 6.00 Home and Away. (R) 6.25 OK! TV. 7.00 5 News at 7. 7.30 How Do They Do It?; (R) 5 News Update. 8.00 The Gadget Show; 5 News at 8. 9.00 Charley Boorman's Extreme Frontiers. 10.00 Film: Shadow Man. (2006) 12.00 UFC. 12.50 Inside Hollywood. 1.00 SuperCasino. 4.00 Animal Rescue Squad. (R) 4.10 Grey's Anatomy. 4.55 Rough Guide to Weekend Breaks. (R) 5.10 Michaela's Wild Challenge. (R)

Tuesday

BBC1 6.00 Breakfast. 8.15 Rip Off Britain. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Noise Squad. 11.45 Cash in the Attic. (R) BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.40 Doctors. 2.10 Only Fools and Horses. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Pointless. (R) 6.00 BBC News; Weather. 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show. 7.30 EastEnders; BBC News; Regional News. 8.00 Holby City. 9.00 Death in Paradise. Dwayne's favourite singer is murdered. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather; National Lottery Update. 10.35 Imagine: The Lost Music of Rajasthan. 11.40 Film: The Other Man. (2008) Premiere. Drama, starring Liam Neeson. 1.05 Weatherview. 1.10 Sign Zone: Frozen Planet. (R) 2.10 The Story of Ireland. (R) 3.10 Dragons' Den. (R) 4.10 BBC News.

BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.25 CBeebies. 11.35 The Pink Panther Show. (R) 12.00 Daily Politics. 12.30 Live Snooker: UK Championship. The opening two matches in the last 16. 3.45 Hairy Bikers' Best of British. 4.30 Flog It! (R) 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two. 7.00 The Big Bread Experiment. 8.00 MasterChef: The Professionals. 9.00 Money: How finances affect personal relationships. 10.00 Life's Too Short. (R) 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Snooker: UK Championship. 12.10 Snooker: UK Championship Extra. 2.10 BBC News. 4.15 Close.

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BBC2 6.00 CBeebies. 7.00 CBBC. 8.25 CBeebies. 11.00 See Hear. 11.30 Daily Politics. 1.00 Live Snooker: UK Championship. Coverage of two matches in the last 16 on day five in York. 3.45 Hairy Bikers' Best of British. 4.30 Flog It! (R) 5.15 Put Your Money Where Your Mouth Is. (R) 6.00 Eggheads. 6.30 Strictly Come Dancing – It Takes Two. 7.00 The Big Bread Experiment. 8.00 MasterChef: The Professionals. 9.00 Film: Storyville: Inside Job. (2010) Premiere. Analysis of the 2008 financial crisis. 10.30 Newsnight; Weather. 11.20 Snooker: UK Championship. 12.20 BBC News. 4.45 Close.

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ITV1 6.00 Daybreak. 8.30 Lorraine. 9.25 The Jeremy Kyle Show. 10.30 This Morning. 12.30 Loose Women. 1.30 ITV News; Weather. 1.55 Regional News; Weather. 2.00 May the Best House Win. 3.00 Dickinson's Real Deal. 3.50 Regional Weather. 4.00 Murder, She Wrote. (R) 5.00 Best Dish: The Chefs. 6.00 Regional News; Weather. 6.30 ITV News; Weather. 7.00 Emmerdale. 7.30 Lives in Limbo: Tonight. 8.00 Emmerdale. 8.30 Coronation Street. 9.00 Without You. New series. Drama, starring Anna Friel. 10.00 ITV News at Ten; Weather. 10.30 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 Piers Morgan's Life Stories: Cilla Black. (R) 11.35 The Late Debate. 12.05 Grimefighters. (R) 12.30 The Zone; ITV News Headlines. 2.35 Lives in Limbo: Tonight. (R) 3.00 ITV Nightscreen. 4.35 The Jeremy Kyle Show. (R) 5.30 ITV Morning News.

Channel 4 6.10 The Hoobs. (R) 6.35 The Hoobs. (R) 7.00 Freshly Squeezed. 7.30 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 7.55 Everybody Loves Raymond. (R) 8.20 Frasier. (R) 8.55 The Secret Millionaire. 9.55 Beeny's Restoration Nightmare. (R) 10.55 Sealed Bid. 12.00 Drop Down Menu. 1.00 Film: The Net. (1995) Thriller, starring Sandra Bullock. 3.10 Countdown. 4.00 Deal or No Deal. 5.00 Come Date with Me. 5.30 Come Dine with Me. 6.00 The Simpsons. (R) 6.30 Hollyoaks. 7.00 Channel 4 News. 7.55 4thought.tv. 8.00 Kevin's Grand Design. 9.00 Living with the Amish. The teenagers learn about Amish courtship rules. 10.00 The Million Pound Drop Live. 11.30 Random Acts. 11.35 The Secret Millionaire. (R) 12.35 Music on 4: Inpatoutput. 12.50 Music on 4: 4Play: The Pierces. (R) 1.05 Film: She, A Chinese. (2009) Premiere. Drama, starring Huang Lu. 2.45 Southland. 3.35 Happy Endings. 4.00 Whatever Turns You On. (R) 4.05 Atlantis. (R) 4.10 Emily's Song. (R) 4.25 Unreported World. (R) 4.50 Landlords from Hell: Dispatches. (R) 5.20 Countdown. (R)

Channel 5 6.00 Milkshake! 9.15 The Wright Stuff. 11.10 LIVE with Gabby. 12.10 5 News Lunchtime. 12.15 Law & Order. (R) 1.15 Home and Away. 1.45 Neighbours. 2.15 CSI: Miami. (R) 3.15 Film: Christmas in Canaan. (2009) Premiere. Drama, with Jaishon Fisher and Zak Ludwig. 5.00 5 News at 5. 5.30 Neighbours. (R) 6.00 Home and Away. (R) 6.25 OK! TV. 7.00 5 News at 7. 7.30 New Highland Emergency; 5 News Update. 8.00 Fairground Attractions; 5 News at 8. 9.00 The Mentalist. A girl is killed on an island. 10.00 It's All About Amy. 11.00 Police Interceptors. (R) 12.00 SuperCasino. 3.55 Animal Rescue Squad. (R) 4.10 Wildlife SOS. (R) 5.00 County Secrets. (R)

Friday

BBC1 6.00 Breakfast. 8.15 Rip Off Britain. 10.00 Homes Under the Hammer. (R) BBC News; Weather. 11.00 Noise Squad. 11.45 Cash in the Attic. (R) BBC News; Weather. 12.15 Bargain Hunt. (R) 1.00 BBC News; Weather. 1.30 Regional News; Weather. 1.40 Doctors. 2.10 Only Fools and Horses. 3.05 CBBC. 5.15 Pointless. (R) 6.00 BBC News; Weather. 6.30 Regional News Programmes; Weather. 7.00 The One Show; BBC News; Regional News. 8.00 EastEnders. 8.30 The Two Ronnies Sketchbook. 9.00 Have I Got News for You. 9.30 Live at the Apollo. 10.00 BBC News. 10.25 Regional News; Weather. 10.35 The Graham Norton Show. 11.20 The National Lottery Friday Night Draws. 11.30 Film: The Lake House. (2006) Romantic fantasy, starring Sandra Bullock and Keanu Reeves. 1.05 Weatherview. 1.10 Sign Zone: Question Time. (R) 2.10 Fry's Planet Word. (R) 3.10 Dragons' Den. (R) 4.10 BBC News.

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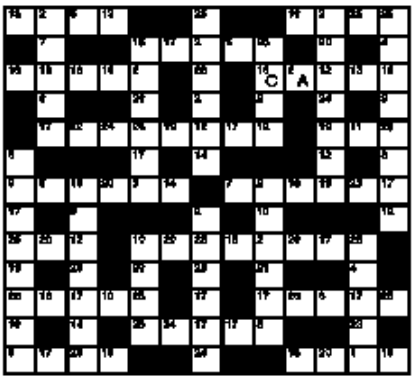

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LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION

1 R	2 B	3 T	4 M	5 Z	6 S	7 H	8 J	9 I	10 X	11 W	12 L	13 Y
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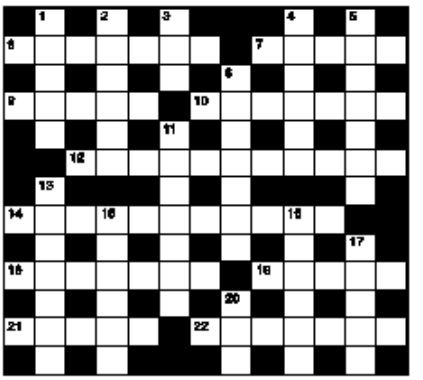

Cryptic Clues:

Across

6. I am going around in tom clothing (7)
7. A fine preparation, not long lasting (5)
9. Manor transformed into a sort of villa (5)
10. As he got confused, he was captured (7)
12. Not plain stupid, apparently (6,5)
14. What an accusation of body snatching would be? (5,6)
18. A dear old thing, perhaps! (7)
19. A rule some of us are ignoring (5)
21. This age is very far from first class (5)
22. Songs on the head (7)

Down

1. The ghost of William Shakespeare, some say (5)
2. Harm with fairy music (6)
3. Finish within ten days (8)
4. Not always latest (3,3)
5. They hold records in trade (7)
8. A struggle to main tain faith (4,3)
11. Still may be so cancelled (5,2)
13. Stone from Tangier (7)
15. Such a threat is hardly taken seed (6)
16. They are carefully prepared for putting on (6)
17. Bird that returns in winter generally (5)
20. Naturally it lacks refinement (8)

Quick Clues:

Across

6. Set free (7)
7. Sham (5)
9. Lukewarm (5)
10. Intimate (7)
12. Vengeance (11)
14. Result (11)
18. Let (7)
19. Initiate (5)
21. Thin soup (5)
22. Opposite (7)

Down

1. Altitude (5)
2. Edit (6)
3. Donkey (8)
4. Amount produced (6)
5. Sovereign (7)
8. Shoe mender (7)
11. Loton game (7)
13. Deserted (7)
15. Games (6)
16. Annul (6)
17. Lift (5)
20. Marry (8)

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTIONS.
CRYPTIC Across 1 Legislator, 7 Totem, 8 Always, 10 Squeeze, 11 Lie, 13 Bite, 15 Savory, 17 Aura, 18 Jackboots, 21 Rinsed, 22 Oust, 23 Loading gun. Down 1 Ulna, 2 Crankcase, 3 Stable, 4 Ass, 5 Ossian, 6 Stockbroker, 9 Surrealistic, 12 Sculpture, 14 hornpipe, 16 Sunday, 19 Ocean, 20 Aid. QUICK Across 1 Successful, 7 Regal, 8 Quick, 10 Ultimate, 11 Even, 13 Quality, 15 Smile, 17 Oral, 18 Allow gas, 21 Minefield, 22 Arrows, 23 Retrospect. Down 1 Stalk, 2 Calendar, 3 Smile, 4 Self, 5 Unused, 6 Groundsheet, 9 Tendrils, 12 Overseas, 14 Sixteen, 16 Sirloin, 19 Greek, 20 Tax.

Sudoku

Fill in the grid below so that every column, every row and each of the 3x3 boxes contains all the digits from 1 to 9.

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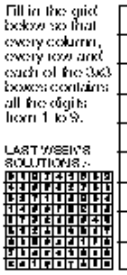

Circlegram

Replace the question mark with a letter so that the letters within each circle can be arranged to form words on a common theme. What are the three words, and the letter represented by the question mark?

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION: The letter represented by the question mark is O. Coordinates, Cardigan, Silverstone, all forms of clothing.

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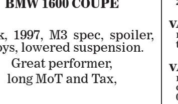

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The rear garden has awns with central flower bed, apple tree, well-stocked borders and a summer house

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A COTTAGE dating back to the 17th century and overlooking the village green is for sale with a price tag of £284,950.

Located next to the former vicarage of St Mary's Church, the substantial double fronted detached period property – 12 The Village, Kingswinford – offers well proportioned family accommodation, including three double bedrooms.

It lies a short distance from the heart of Kingswinford with its wide selection of shops, restaurants and amenities, with excellent schooling within easy reach.

The property also benefits from having planning permission for a ground floor extension allowing an additional reception room/bedroom plus shower room (potential annexe).

With gas central heating and double glazing, the property comprises of entrance hall, sitting room measuring 16ft 4in by 15ft 4in forming an L- shape with period style fireplace with cast iron inset living flame gas fire and quarry tiled projecting hearth.

The refitted split-level family breakfast kitchen is 14ft 5in by 10ft 10in and is fitted with a range of 'Shaker' style units with work surfaces, one and a half bowl sink drainer unit with mixer tap and plumbing for dishwasher.

Breakfast

There is also an integrated gas hob with cooker hood above, integrated oven and integrated fridge.

Steps lead to the breakfast area with space for table and furniture.

The formal dining room/second sitting room features a cast iron range , while the study is 9ft 1in by 5ft 6in.

The utility room has plumbing for an automatic washing machine/dishwasher and cupboard storage space.

On the first floor are three bedrooms and a large period-style bathroom with classis white suite including roll top tub bath, separate shower cubicle, pedestal wash basin and low-level flush WC.

Outside the cottage is set back beyond a walled front garden, with the driveway giving off-road parking and leading to the garage with double opening doors, which in turn leads to the guest cloakroom/WC.

The established rear garden has a broad paved patio area with steps to shaped lawns with central flower bed, apple tree and well-stocked borders, and also a summer house.

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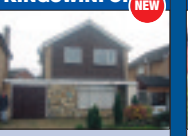
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Ford's stars on show

THE Los Angeles Auto Show saw a bundle of new launches targeted at North American shores – but a few bits worthy of interest from a UK perspective also made an appearance.

In a show that would have been dwarfed next to the IAA at Frankfurt earlier this year, the buzz-words were efficiency, value and style.

Fuel economy is finally a concern for everyday Americans, and the reality of driving true gas-guzzlers is hitting home. But thankfully most of the new, more-frugal releases unveiled at the show – which ran until November 27 – actually look good.

Ford had a few things on display that, since its decision to build single models for a global market, will also be seen in Europe.

The Escape compact SUV will be better known over here as the next Kuga. Once Ford has swapped the badges and installed some new diesel engines it will be shown off at the Geneva Motor Show in March.

There was also a prototype model of the proposed Fiesta ST, along with a racing version.

Ford is known in Europe for its fast hatchbacks so the idea of it not being built is unthinkable, and it was actually first shown at Frankfurt earlier this year.

It takes its styling cues from the production-ready Focus ST, which is set to star in the film remake of The Sweeney. The hot Fiesta will feature a 1.6-litre EcoBoost engine with around 180bhp.

Volkswagen offered another interesting concept, with its Beetle R. Intended to form part of the 'R' brand that VW is trying to build, the Beetle would share its 260bhp-ish turbo-charged four-cylinder engine with the Golf R and the Scirocco R.

VW has tried a hot Beetle before with a 170bhp V5 version, but the cutesy image didn't mesh with its performance claims. If the Beetle R goes ahead, VW will be hoping for better results this time.

Beauty

Mazda came up with a real beauty in the shape of the MX-5 Spyder which, in the same manner as the Porsche Boxster Spyder, features a temporary canvas roof. It would be a fair-weather sort of car, but it saves weight over a proper roof.

And, of course, the tuners were there, turning acceptable everyday cars into tasteless monstrosities. Glossy white wheels, tribal design graphics and unnecessarily large spoilers were the order of the day.

The show was a little light on new European-relevant releases, as expected, but there are glimmers of hope that exciting new models are still coming through.

Ford's Fiesta ST concept may still make it to production and a Sweeney movie remake

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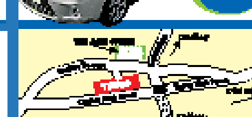

New territory opening up for Suzuki

By Bob Hickman

The Suzuki V-Strom delivers a new style with improvements made throughout

THE 2012 version Suzuki V-Strom takes the company into a potential marketplace that I think they may have overlooked – I refer to those more mature bikers.

Sadly, with age comes certain problems with regard to flexibility and mobility; access to low-slung cars and sport motorbikes in particular becomes more problematic, but rather than give up on motor cycling why not have a look at this new V-Strom machine?

It is a delight to ride, like sitting in your favourite armchair with your old comfy slippers.

That is not to say that the bike is a slouch, it is just that it really is a delightful package that Suzuki has put together.

The new styling is a stunning success in its own right. It looks reasonably upmarket, doesn't cost a lot and improvements have been made throughout the range from the engine to the handling and the manageability.

It is quite a good package and it is a willing and eager performer. The 650 V-twin engine is almost linear-like in its flexibility and power performance, and it surprised me considerably with the smoothness and willingness to pull and the degree of torque displayed in fifth and sixth gears.

Smooth

It always felt a free-revving engine and yet, for a V-twin configuration, it was not lumpy like some of the larger V-twins that I have ridden.

It was extremely smooth like a 4-cylinder and with 68bhp and a 120mph top speed where possible, not slow either.

The engine has its red line at a high 10,000rpm and it was pleasant to note that at 60mph the engine ticked over at 4,250 and at 70mph it was doing a mere 5,000.

The handling characteristics impressed me. The V-Strom was like a sports bike to ride – its initial impression gives you a feeling of looking like a trail bike, probably in the mould of the Triumph Adventurer or the big BMW.

But its handling belies this, probably due to the excellent tubeless tyres, the rear being quite a nice low-profile, wide 150/70 R17, so you never had the feeling of falling off the edge of the world. I particularly like the dashboard. Here you have all the instrumentation clearly laid out in front of you, accessible by the big gloved hand.

The V-Strom is a machine worth a second glance, albeit not a sports mode, but this is a machine that with the right rider on board could certainly give a lot of sports riders a run for their money – and a bit of a shock.

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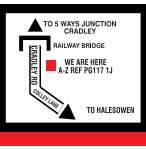

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Craven's double wins it for Gornal

Bewdley Town 1 Gornal 2

TWO GOALS from Seb Craven saw Gornal battle back from one down to take the spoils.

Bewdley were the first to create an opening when Chris Seekings picked up the ball in his own half, beat two players then cut inside the Gornal penalty area and curled a low shot which bounced off the post and into the grateful arms of the Gornal goalkeeper.

But Bewdley took the lead when Chris Hough latched onto a clearance from stand-in keeper Grant Morris, powered his way past the Gornal defence and coolly slotted the ball into the bottom of the visitors' net.

Gornal continued to pile on the pressure and in very "Bewdley fashion" were guilty of making chances but not putting them away.

In the second half it was all Gornal as they went searching for the equaliser with Bewdley creating little in the way of chances.

The visitors appeared to have blown their chance when missing an 80th-minute penalty.

But five minutes later the equaliser came from Gornal's substitute Craven who took advantage of a mix-up in the Bewdley defence and prodded the ball home from eight yards. This seemed to knock the sails from the dogged Bewdley defence and Craven grabbed his second of the game with a stunning overhead kick to seal the three points for an elated Gornal.

Bewdley joint first team manager Brian Lacey felt the home team had done enough to earn at least a point, but praised a strong Gornal side who are his favourites to lift the title.

Dudley's skipper and number one Adam Roynon. *Picture: Jonathan Hipkiss*

Roynon is skipper of Heathens

DUDLEY Heathens have signed Adam Roynon as their number one and skipper for the 2012 speedway season.

The 23-year-old Cumbrian was unveiled to a lavish ovation at a standing room-only fans' talk-in at Cradley Heath Liberal Club on Friday night.

Roynon, whose time last year with the Heathens was blighted by injury but who helped them to the National Fours title, said: "I'm so proud to be back.

"To be skipper and number one – words cannot say how I feel.

"I just want to make everyone proud and bring some silverware back, like we did this year."

Chairman Nigel Pearson said: "Adam is a great character and what he deserves above all else is a clear run free of injuries.

"If he goes through the season without any problems, I would expect him to add a point to his starting figure and be right at the top of the National League averages.

"He was only able to ride a handful of matches for us last season, but he soon developed a great affection for the club and the fans."

Roynon will also be riding at the Telford Ice Speedway even on February 26.

Next signing target for the club is last season's Rider of the Year Darryl Ritchings.

TROPHY LOSS AS CUP TIE LOOMS

Stourbridge 0 Chester 2

WELL, time to concentrate on the FA Cup! Two goals in the last quarter of a tight match sent Stourbridge tumbling out of the FA Trophy at the hands of Evo-Stik Premier Division leaders Chester.

Perhaps the run of high-profile fixtures and Cup heroics caught up with Gary Hackett's men. For all their endeavours, the attacking play lacked some of the flair and fluidity they had shown in recent weeks against a strong Chester side.

The Glassboys' defensive look also had a makeshift feel to it. Missing from the Tuesday night FA Cup triumph over Plymouth were the injured Paul McCone and Sean Evans, while Paul Lloyd was unavailable and Aaron Drake suspended.

In front of another bumper Amblecote crowd of 1,481 the visitors enjoyed some early pressure, but it was home defender Nathan Bennett who had the first real chance when he headed over from a Sean Geddes corner.

Chester were then left fuming when Michael Powell found the net with a rising 18-yard shot, only to see the 'goal' chalked off as Matt McNeil was adjudged to be offside.

Chester offered the greater threat through the efforts of winger Iain Howard and striker McNeil and the duo almost combined in the 16th minute as Howard crossed from the left, but McNeil could not keep his header down.

Power

Stourbridge responded when Ben Billingham and Sam Rock lashed efforts off target.

Glassboys keeper Lewis Solly was forced into a save from a 20-yard shot from Antoni Sarcevic before the hosts had a let-off when Howard's low cross just evaded McNeil.

Ryan Rowe wasted an opportunity for the hosts when his shot lacked sufficient power to trouble John Danby in the Chester goal.

Solly denied Powell at the start of the second half before Rowe saw his lob clear the crossbar as the hosts hit back.

The deadlock was finally broken in the 67th minute when Howard cashed in on some sloppy defending to open the scoring.

Chester clinched victory with 10 minutes remaining. Christian Smith sent in a dangerous centre across the face of the Stourbridge goal where McNeil was on hand to prod home.

The assistant referee confirmed that the ball had crossed the line before being hacked clear.

Goals rush as Stourbridge snatch eight

Boys league
Stourbridge 8 Netherton Colts 0

STOURBRIDGE U12B romped to a big win, scoring three times before the break and then adding another five.

Ten minutes into the game James Green scored his first goal of the season and a further 10 minutes later Jordan Andrews played Liam Hands in for the second.

Josh Ball scored his first goal of the season to make it 3-0 at half-time.

Jack Davies collected a Travis Woods pass for the fourth before Green turned provider with Hands the beneficiary.

Hands in turn set up Sam Green for a volleyed sixth.

Woods made it seven and Nathaniel Connon rounded off the scoring from Ball's pass.

Swindon 5 Stourbridge 2

The U14 team got closer than the score might suggest, hitting the post when 5-2 down and having two strong penalty appeals turned down.

Stourbridge, playing on a heavy pitch in high winds. found themselves two down inside the opening 10 minutes before Jordan Siviter raced onto a Connor Rich through ball to get one back just before half-time.

However, Swindon notched a third goal and Stour suffered when repeatedly being caught offside.

They continued to press but leaked two more goals in doing so.

However, the last 20 minutes were dominated by the visitors and Siviter scored direct from a corner.

Archdales 73 0
Stourbridge 1

Calvin Campbell's fine goal on the hour was enough for the U15A to put recent

Stourbridge Juniors

performances behind them and celebrate a win.

They took control early on, creating several chances but could not find the cutting edge.

Archdales also had their moments but Stourbridge looked better organised at the back than in recent weeks.

They got the vital goal when a good move down the right released Calvin Campbell who sprinted clear of the Archdales backline and fired his shot across the keeper and into the far corner.

Stourbridge successfully saw the game out although the home team hit a post in the final minute.

Stourbridge South 2
Stourbridge North 1

The Southern side earned the U16 bragging rights on a windswept day in difficult conditions.

Tom Overfield's two goals gave his side breathing space and although North halved the deficit, it wasn't enough.

Girls league
Bridgnorth Spartans 0
Stourbridge 8

Louise Edgerton grabbed four goals as Stourbridge U15 dominated this John Rochelle Memorial Cup tie.

Good defending and some excellent passing and movement produced the platform. Skipper Emily Drewett bagged a hat-trick with Ellen Addis also on the mark.

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Stourbridge's Ryan Rowe on the move in the match against Chester

Bulteel's hat-trick sparks Old Hales

Old Halesonians 10
Solihull Blossomfield 1

A HAT-TRICK from Tom Bulteel helped the joint West Midlands Premier leaders to a big home victory.

It was Bulteel who opened the scoring early on. Hales' second goal soon came when Paul Harrold found captain Doug Houghton unmarked to power his shot into the corner.

Graham Knight and Bulteel made it four before the break and the latter completed his treble soon after the restart.

Mark Curzon scored from a deflection and Josh Randhawa added the seventh.

Ben Hughes' mazy run brought a penalty flick converted by his brother Harry.

Knight scored the ninth and although Solihull then got on the scoresheet Houghton took the home side's tally into double figures.

Old Halesonians 10
West Bromwich 0

Old Hales thirds also hit double figures, scoring in the first minute through a Damian Shackleton penalty corner.

The new 3-4-3 formation worked well and Shackleton was able to grab two more to ensure his hat-trick.

Adam Hill also notched three and the energetic Charles Palmer bagged himself a brace.

Matt Harrold and Steve Butler were also on the mark.

Harborne 0 Old Hales 3

A dominant fourth team won with first-half goals from Jim Gurmin and John Mellor while Mark O'Connel also found the target in the second period.

Results: Old Hales Ladies 3 Kidderminster 0, Finchfield 2 Old Hales 2nds 1, Old Hales 5ths 0 Finchfield 7, Streetly 2 Old Hales Badgers 0.

Saxons cling on for win

Barking 13 Stourbridge 15

STOURBRIDGE SAXONS hung on to take a long-awaited victory at Barking thanks to a defensive effort that kept the home team scoreless for the entire second half.

The winning margin at Goresbrook was just two points in an error-strewn match – but Stourbridge will just be glad to register a victory and move off the bottom of the National League One table.

After a poor first half, which finished with them trailing 13-5, Stourbridge dominated the second period.

Straight from the restart they camped in the Barking half and had spurned a long-range penalty as well as running into some resolute defending before Matt Williams scored.

The left wing squeezed into the corner and somehow managed to get the ball down before he was dragged into touch. Woodrow added the extras with a superb swerving kick from the touchline to reduce the deficit to a single point.

A prolonged period of pressure following that saw the Saxons spurn a number of chances as Barking's defence clung on for dear life.

In the end it was left to the impressive Woodrow to give them a narrow lead for the first time in the match when he slotted over a penalty.

Stourbridge were forced to hold on as their scrum came under pressure and Barking twice went close to crossing the line. But they held firm to secure the vital victory. That win had looked a long way off when Stourbridge got off to the worst possible start, 10-0 down after just 12 minutes through a Chris Ashwin penalty and a converted Chris Jones try.

They did score on a rare visit to the Barking 22. For once the line-out functioned perfectly as Liam Wordley found Robbie Hurrell and then the hooker took the ball over the line for what turned out to be a crucial five points.

Ashwin's second penalty left it 13-5 at the half, but things could only get better for the Saxons – and they did.

Barking: Nelson (Neale 63), Hardy (Burcham 55), Henderson, Broughton, Jones, Ashwin, Gash; French, Bloomberg (F Ambrose 70), Mullins (E Ambrose 46), Burns, Davies, Ngan, Reynolds, Sinfield. Replacement not used: Kersey

Stourbridge: Hearn (Dipple 44), Bressington, Jarvis, Reakes, Williams, Robinson, Woodrow; Sturdy (Lawrence 63), Wordley (Page 51), Hill, Hughes, Hurrell, Garner, Rovira, Sparks (Rodley 66). Replacement not used: White.